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<u>City of South Fulton Public Safety Agencies Provide Services</u> <u>During Super Bowl LIII Week</u>

(CITY OF SOUTH FULTON, GEORGIA, Wednesday, January 30, 2019) The City of South Fulton Fire Department has entered into an agreement with the Charlie Brown Airfield to provide dedicated service during Super Bowl Week. The Fire Department will render and provide dedicated Aircraft Rescue and Firefighting ("ARFF") protection, Advanced Life Support ("ALS"), Emergency Medical Services ("EMS"), and first responder services to Charlie Brown Airfield, located at 3952 Aviation Circle, N.W., Atlanta, Georgia 30336. The service will be provided prior to, during and after Super Bowl LIII Week.

The City of South Fulton Police Department has also partnered with the City of Atlanta to provide tactical support from the South Fulton Police SWAT Unit. South Fulton Police personnel have been assigned to several critical areas around the Super Bowl event to ensure the safety of visitors and participants.

"One of my primary objectives as the Mayor of the City of South Fulton is to make sure that the people who live in this city and the people who are visiting this city will be safe," stated Mayor William Bill Edwards. "As a neighboring City approximately 20 minutes from the City of Atlanta, it is vital that we work together to ensure that our communities know we are well prepared to provide support and to keep activities safe."

During the contract period with the Charlie Brown Airfield, over 30 off-duty firefighters will provide 24-hour coverage for the airport. This type of dedicated provision requires constant, on-site, qualified service availability during all times covered by the Agreement. All services will be provided in accordance with local, state and federal laws and regulations.

"The City of South Fulton is excited to partner with the City of Atlanta Police Department and the Charlie Brown Airfield as we work to provide public safety services during Super Bowl LIII," stated City Manager Odie Donald II. "The safety of our visitors and residents is our top priority during this world-renowned sporting event and we want visitors to have a pleasant and memorable experience. We are excited to introduce visitors to the new City of South Fulton and all the great things we have to offer."

On Wednesday, January 30,2019, Fire Department representatives participated in an 8-hour training to discuss airport procedures and operation of the ARFF vehicles and other safety mechanisms. During the training, the Charlie Brown Airfield Director discussed the logistics of the 500-600 airplanes that will be parked along the field during the eventful week. The Airfield Tower Chief also provided training on use of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) frequencies for air traffic control.